



Ward Notification

Tucson Fire Department

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Date: October 23, 2008

Ward 1 – Motor Home Fire – 1300 Block of W. Ajo Way

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Dispatch Time – 0736
On-Scene – 0740
Under Control – 0749

A motor home was destroyed this morning after a space heater, left unattended, heated nearby materials and started a fire. Seven fire fighters and 21 units extinguished the fire in 9 minutes. There were no injuries reported. Red Cross is assisting the owner with clothing.

Damage estimate - \$180,000

Cause – space heater too close to combustibles was left unattended

Safety Message: Heating appliances and smoking materials are the leading causes of fire deaths in residential structures. Never use portable space heaters near combustible materials such as bedding and curtains. Maintain a three foot, 360 degree safety zone around space heaters. Do not place in door ways or in paths of travel. Turn space heaters off when you leave as pets may knock them over causing a fire.

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